

Clean Version of Each Replacement Claim

24. (Amended) Trocar sleeve for endoscopic applications, comprising:
an elongate part having at least one passage for insertion of a surgical instrument, and
pivotal parts formed at a distal section of the elongate part, each having a blade end portion, the pivotal parts converging toward one another in a piercing position, wherein the blade end portions of the pivotal parts form a pointed tip which permits the cutting of a body wall without an additional trocar mandrel.

30. (Amended) Trocar sleeve for endoscopic applications, comprising:
an elongate part having at least one passage for insertion of a surgical instrument, and
pivotal parts formed at a distal section of the elongate part, each having a blade end portion, the pivotal parts converging toward one another in a piercing position, wherein the blade end portions of the pivotal parts form a pointed tip which permits the cutting of a body wall without an additional trocar mandrel and wherein the distal section has a flange bearing against an outer side of the body wall.
